In re Patent Application of

Kazuo KURODA, et al. Serial No. 10/516,336

November 30, 2004

Title: SEMICONDUCTOR MEMORY ELEMENT AND LIFETIME OPERATION STARTING

APPARATUS THEREFOR

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Date: March 15, 2006

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Applicant claims "small entity" status.

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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

In response to the office action dated December 15, 2005, please amend the subject patent application as follows.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 3.

Remarks begin on page 15.

An **Appendix** including a replacement Abstract follows page 16.